

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Attorney Docket No. 2006_1312A
Hiide YOSHINO et al. : **Confirmation No. 4646**
Serial No. 10/588,778 : Group Art Unit 1628
Filed December 3, 2007 : Examiner Marcos L. Sznajdman
A NOVEL THERAPEUTIC AGENT FOR : **Mail Stop: ISSUE FEE**
AMYOTROPHIC LATERAL SCLEROSIS
(ALS) OR DISEASES CAUSED BY ALS

PETITION TO WITHDRAW FROM ISSUE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the present application be withdrawn from issue for consideration of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) submitted herewith. The reason for the filing of this Petition is to ensure that the reference, cited in the IDS, is considered by the Examiner. The requisite petition fee of \$130.00 and RCE fee of \$810.00 are submitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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